

Informational Bulletin
Cedar Meadow Lake Watershed District
August 3, 2015

ESS Group completed their post treatment survey following the weed treatment this past June. The treatment appears to have had the desired impact on the non-native species as there was little evidence of any remaining milfoil or fanwort. ESS did find two strands of fanwort floating in the northeastern cove, but even these non-rooted samples were showing evidence of severe decay and would not be viable. A formal survey document will be posted to our website once received.

ESS Group has also reported that the blue-green algae population in the State is going “gangbusters” this summer due to the dry hot weather and our lake is no exception. There is evidence of reduced clarity and clusters of green species that are suspended in our lake. ESS Group has recommended that the District monitor the lake for clarity over the next several weeks with the use of a secchi disc protocol at 4’-0”. The district conducted this clarity test on August 1st and found that clarity was in excess of 4’-0” utilizing our secchi disc. The District will continue to conduct clarity testing weekly and if clarity decreases the District may elect to collect samples for further testing and appropriate action.

It is important to note that at as of this writing we are NOT experiencing a bloom or suspect that our lake is toxic due to a blue-green algae bloom. The District is taking proactive steps to monitor our lake.

We have attached an informational piece on blue-green algae for your use and information.

As the District email list is limited at this time, this bulletin has been posted at the District website: www.cedarmeadow.org. Please advise any of your Cedar Meadow Lake Watershed District neighbors to please visit the website to read this information and to check for further updates.